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| Type of fee | Type of coal | Amount of fee |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| (4) In situ coal mining fee | All types other than lignite | 13.5 cents per ton based on Btu's per ton in place equated to the gas produced at the site as certified through analysis by an independent laboratory. |
| (5) In situ coal mining fee | Lignite | 9 cents per ton based on the Btu's per ton of coal in place equated to the gas produced at the site as certified through analysis by an independent laboratory. |

(c) Fees for coal produced for sale, transfer, or use from October 1, 2012, through September 30, 2021. The fees for coal produced for sale, transfer, or use

from October 1, 2012, through September 30, 2021, are shown in the following table:

| Type of fee | Type of coal | Amount of fee |
|---|--|---|
| (1) Surface mining fee | Anthracite, bituminous, and subbituminous, including reclaimed coal. | (i) If value of coal is \$2.80 per ton or more, fee is 28 cents per ton. (ii) If value of coal is less than \$2.80 per ton, fee is 10 per- |
| | | cent of the value. |
| (2) Underground mining fee | Anthracite, bituminous, and subbituminous. | (i) If value of coal is \$1.20 per ton or more, fee is 12 cents per ton. |
| | | (ii) If value of coal is less than \$1.20 per ton, fee is 10 percent of the value. |
| (3) Surface and underground mining fee. | Lignite | (i) If value of coal is \$4.00 per ton or more, fee is 8 cents per ton. |
| | | (ii) If value of coal is less than \$4.00 per ton, fee is 2 percent of the value. |
| (4) In situ coal mining fee | All types other than lignite | 12 cents per ton based on Btu's per ton in place equated to the gas produced at the site as certified through analysis by an independent laboratory. |
| (5) In situ coal mining fee | Lignite | 8 cents per ton based on the Btu's per ton of coal in place equated to the gas produced at the site as certified through analysis by an independent laboratory. |

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§ 870.14 Determination of percentagebased fees.

- (a) If you pay a fee based on a percentage of the value of coal, you must include documentation supporting the claimed coal value with your fee payment and production report. We may review this information and any additional documentation we may require, including examination of your books and records. We may accept the valuation you claim, or we may determine another value of the coal.
- (b) If we determine that a higher fee must be paid, you must pay the additional fee together with interest computed under §870.21.

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§870.15 Reclamation fee payment.

(a) You must pay the reclamation fee based on calendar quarter tonnage no later than 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter.

- (b) Along with any fee payment due, you must submit to us a completed Coal Sales and Reclamation Fee Report (OSM-1 Form). You can file the OSM-1 Form either in paper format or in electronic format as specified in §870.17. On the OSM-1 Form, you must report:
- (1) The tonnage of coal sold, used, or transferred:
- (2) The name and address of any person or entity who is the owner of 10 percent or more of the mineral estate for a given permit; and
- (3) The name and address of any person or entity who purchases 10 percent or more of the production from a given permit, during the applicable quarter.
- (c) If no single mineral owner or purchaser meets the 10 percent criterion in paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this section, then you must report the name and address of the largest single mineral owner and purchaser. If several persons have successively transferred

the mineral rights, you must include on the OSM-1 Form information on the last owner(s) in the chain before the permittee, i.e. the person or persons who have granted the permittee the right to extract the coal.

(d) At the time of reporting, you may designate the information required by paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section as confidential.

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§870.16 Acceptable payment methods.

- (a) If you owe total quarterly reclamation fees of \$25,000 or more for one or more mines, you must:
- (1) Use an electronic fund transfer mechanism approved by the U.S. Department of the Treasury;
- (2) Forward payments by electronic transfer;
- (3) Include the applicable Master Entity No.(s) (Part 1-Block 4 on the OSM-1 Form), and OSM Document No.(s) (Part 1-upper right corner of the OSM-1 Form) on the wire message; and
- (4) Use our approved form or approved electronic form to report coal tonnage sold, used, or for which ownership was transferred to the address indicated in the Instructions for Completing the OSM-1 Form.
- (b) If you owe less than \$25,000 in quarterly reclamation fees for one or more mines, you may:
- (1) Forward payments by electronic transfer in accordance with the procedures specified in paragraph (a) of this section; or
- (2) Submit a check or money order payable to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement in the same envelope with the OSM-1 Form to: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, P.O. Box 360095M, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251.
- (c) If you pay more than \$25,000 by a method other than an electronic fund transfer mechanism approved by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, you will be in violation of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, as amended.

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§870.17 Filing the OSM-1 Form.

- (a) Filing an OSM-1 Form electronically. You may submit a quarterly electronic OSM-1 Form in place of a quarterly paper OSM-1 Form. Submitting the OSM-1 Form electronically is optional. If you submit your form electronically, you must use a methodology and medium approved by us and do one of the following:
- (1) Maintain a properly notarized paper copy of the identical OSM-1 Form for review and approval by our Fee Compliance auditors (in order to comply with the notary requirement in SMCRA); or
- (2) Submit an electronically signed and dated statement made under penalty of perjury that the information contained in the OSM-1 Form is true and correct.
- (b) Filing a paper OSM-1 Form. Alternatively, you may submit a quarterly paper OSM-1 Form. If you choose to submit your form on paper, you must do one of the following:
- (1) Submit a properly notarized copy of the OSM-1 Form; or
- (2) Submit the OSM-1 Form with a signed and dated statement made under penalty of perjury that the information contained in the form is true and correct. Under the unsworn statement option, you must sign the following statement: "I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on [date]."

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§870.18 General rules for calculating excess moisture.

If you are an operator who mined coal after June 1988, you may deduct the weight of excess moisture in the coal to determine reclamation fees you owe under 30 CFR 870.12(b)(3)(i). Excess moisture is the difference between total moisture and inherent moisture. To calculate excess moisture in HIGHrank coal, follow §870.19. To calculate excess moisture in LOW-rank coal, follow §870.20. Report your calculations on the OSM-1 form, Coal Reclamation Fee Report, for every calendar quarter in which you claim a deduction. Some cautions:

(a) You or your customer may do any test required by §§ 870.19 and 870.20. But